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Title: HUMAN NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES FROM PROSTATE TISSUE

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to calculating the national fee, and prior to examination in the National Phase of the above-identified International application, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

- ~~Claim 5, line 1, delete "claims 1 to 4" and insert --Claim 3--;~~
- ~~Claim 6, line 1, delete "claims 1 to 4" and insert --Claim 3--;~~
- ~~Claim 7, line 2, delete "claims 1 to 6" and insert --Claim 3--;~~
- ~~line 4, delete "claims 1 to 6" and insert --Claim 3--;~~
- ~~Claim 8, line 1, delete "claims 1 to 7" and insert --Claim 3--;~~
- ~~Claim 9, line 1, delete "claims 1 to 7" and insert --Claim 3--;~~
- ~~Claim 10, lines 1 and 2, delete "claims 1 to 9" and insert --Claim 3--;~~
- ~~Claim 11, line 2, delete "one of claims 1 to 9" and insert --Claim 3--;~~
- ~~Claim 13, lines 1 and 2, delete "one of claims 11 and 12" and insert --Claim 11--;~~
- ~~Claim 14, lines 1 and 2, delete "claims 1 to 10" and insert --Claim 3--;~~
- ~~Claim 16, line 3, delete "one of claims 1 to 10" and insert --Claim 3--;~~
- ~~Claim 18, line 1, delete "one of claims 16 or 17" and insert --Claim 16--;~~
- ~~Claim 19, line 2, delete "claims 16 to 18" and insert --Claim 16--;~~
- ~~Claim 26, line 1, after "partial sequences" insert --of Claim 23--;~~
- ~~Claim 27, line 1, after "acid sequences" insert --of Claim 2--;~~
- ~~Claim 28, line 1, after "acid sequences" insert --of Claim 2--;~~

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✓ Claim 29, line 1, after "partial sequences" insert --of Claim 23--;

✓ Claim 30, line 1, after "partial sequences" insert --of Claim 23--;

✓ Claim 31, line 2, after "partial sequence" insert --of Claim 23--;

✓ Claim 32, line 1, delete "claims 1 to 10" and insert --Claim 3--;

✓ Claim 33, line 1, delete "claims 1 to 10" and insert --Claim 3--;

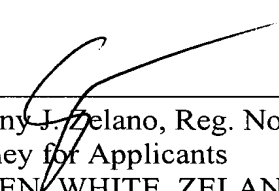
✓ Claim 34, line 3, after "sequences" insert --of Claim 2--;

✓ Claim 37, line 1, delete "claims 1 to 7" and insert --Claim 3--.

#### REMARKS

The purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to eliminate multiple dependent claims in order to avoid the additional fee. Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce claims to canceled combined subject matter.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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